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US, Australian agents to grill 3 terrorists

Join NBN-ZTE game and be a 'billionaire'

By Dennis Calas



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BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS

Friday, March 14, 2008

'GMA at center of cover-up'

Ex-gov't execs also denounce governance on golf courses

SOME 30 FORMER CABINET officials, who have banded to gather to demand accountability in the scandal-ridden $329-million National Broadband Network (NBN) contract, yesterday said President Macapagal-Arroyo had "refused" to heed their appeals, leading them to conclude that she was "at the center of the corruption and cover-up" of the aborted deal.



'Ex-men' scoff: Economic growth a PowerPoint mirage

Proposed baselines: War or surrender

Students walk with GMA 'thru the storm'

Ping suspects 'Medy' got to his witness

New York gov resigns in disgrace over sex scandal

22-year-old call girl now worried about her rent





STANDING BY HER MAN

FHM model killed in 'Gapo with 3 others

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Youth lead Liwasan rally today

Erap: Study says I can run again

Fight is very much alive, organizers say

By Allison W. Lopez and Nicole Papa

TODAY'S YOUTH-LED "RALLY for truth" on Liwasang Bonifacio is not aiming to top the Feb. 29 "inter-faith" rally on Ayala Ave. in Makati which organizers claimed to have gathered a crowd of 75,000 but which police estimated at only 15,000.

Gonzalez hit for ban on Lozada in schools

WHAT'S INSIDE

Body believed to be that of UP student exhumed

AFP shrugs off Jamby tantrums

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She's a 'he,' court rules

No proofs of sex

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STATEMENT OF MAYOR SAMUEL S. CO OF PAGADIAN CITY

In behalf of the officialdom and the good people of Pagadian City, I join the other chief executives of cities all over the country in expressing my undivided support for the **Arroyo administration** and my trust and confidence in **the leadership of President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo**.

It is my belief that the call for the President's resignation at this point in time is misplaced and uncalled for, since there is no definite finding which shows the involvement of the President in the perceived anomalous transaction.

It is unfortunate that in our extremely divided society we have leaders who ought to advocate restraint but instead, in a well-crafted method are deceptively piling block after block of ember designed to build a flame of discontent, then fanning the fire with rhetorics and hope the people would go to the streets to execute an unconstitutional act.

TO THIS DECEPTION WE SAY NO. **TO THE LEADERSHIP OF PRESIDENT ARROYO UP TO 2010 WE SAY YES.**

SAMUEL S. CO
City Mayor

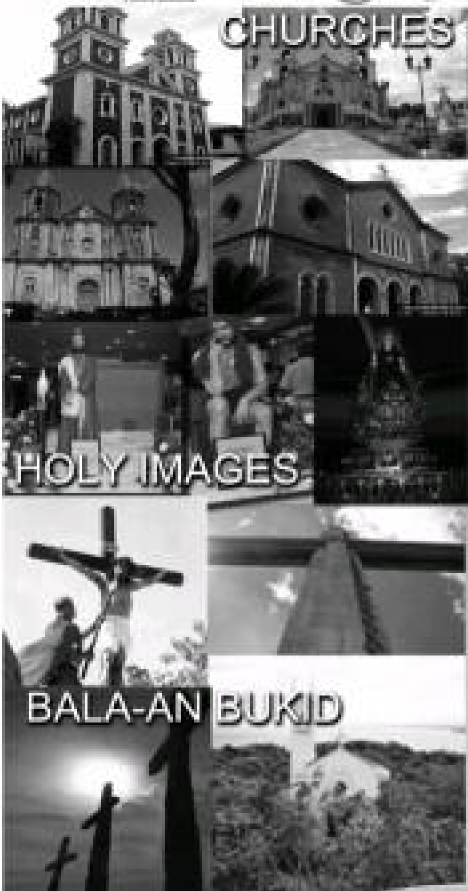


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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

9-23 March 2008

10-23 March - Exhibits of Images & Photos
SM City Iloilo

15 March - Palaspas Making Contest & Blessing
Robinsons' Place Iloilo

16-23 March - Palapak sa Leganes Church

- Hotel Holy Week Special
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- Fresh Seafood & Non-Meat Culinary
Special in Restaurants & Resorts
open even on Good Friday

17-23 March - Capiya Contest & Pasyon in Sta. Barbara

20 -21 March - Visita Iglesia in Churches of Molo, Arevalo, Jaro, Pavia & all around town

21 March - Ang Pagtaltal sa Guimaras & Bo. Obrero

21 March - Via Cruces sa Bala-an Bukid

21 March - Good Friday Processions of life-sized Images in Molo, Jaro, etc.

21 March - Easter Dampog or Salubungan in Various Churches

- Resplendor in Oton



For information: Iloilo City Tourism & Dev't. Office (033) 337-2172; Iloilo Convention & Visitors Bureau (033) 336-10170; Iloilo Hotels Restaurant Resorts Association (033) 337-2384; Association of Iloilo Travel & Tour Operators (033) 500-2799



China defends controversial joint seismic study in Spratlys

Join NBN-ZTE game ...



'GMA at center of corruption and cover-up'

Mounting garbage of lies

Decisions made in golf courses

Where's the proof?

Previous demands

Give full picture

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'The worst is coming'

Examine conscience

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Curse on economy

Rising growth of the poor

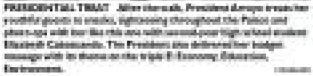
Students walk with GMA 'through the storm'; get treats

First in years

Focus on education



WALK THE TALK.



PRESIDENTIAL TREAT.

Shabu ingredients dug up in Rizal town

INGREDIENTS FOR MAKING SHABU were dug up by anti-narcotics operatives from a remote corner of Baras, Rizal yesterday afternoon.

Operatives of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) traveled around nine kilometers away from the town's center on rough roads to reach a farm in Sitio Gago in Pinugay San Jose.

In a makeshift shed, the operatives started digging and found 14 plastic containers of hydrogen peroxide partially buried on the ground and covered by tall grass. When used to make shabu, the ingredients would have made close to P1 billion worth of the illegal drug. Alvin Pepe











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DFA act on Spratlys may be treasonous

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz



Spratly Islands 101

PASSION FOR REASON

Raul C. Pangalangan



Is time on GMA's side?

ANALYSIS



Amando Doronila

Faith healers

PINOY KASI



Michael L. Tan

Of 'catfights' and legislative maneuvers

AT LARGE



Rina Jimenez-David

Lenten rituals and taboos

LOOKING BACK



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Cleric in shady gov't deals?

LETTERS

'pulitikangpinoy' blog set up in '05

Bedridden retiree's pension cut off

Santiago critic has questionable motives

CBCP took right stand in NBN-ZTE controversy

Scandal offers peek inside global high-end prostitution ring

Mark and Katie



Diamond ratings

No need for cash

Art club

Excellent business model

New York governor resigns in disgrace over sex scandal



Riveting 3-day drama

Most promising career

Politically finished

Excruciating hours

No deal

Spectacular collapse

Potential White House bid

22-year-old call girl now worrying

'Difficult time'

Proposed Spratlys baselines: War or surrender

Emotional issue

Executive position

Palace: Beijing displeasure expected

By Michael Lim Ubac

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Palace 'involvement'

House cancels inquiry

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Ping suspects 'Medy' …

FHM model, 3 others …





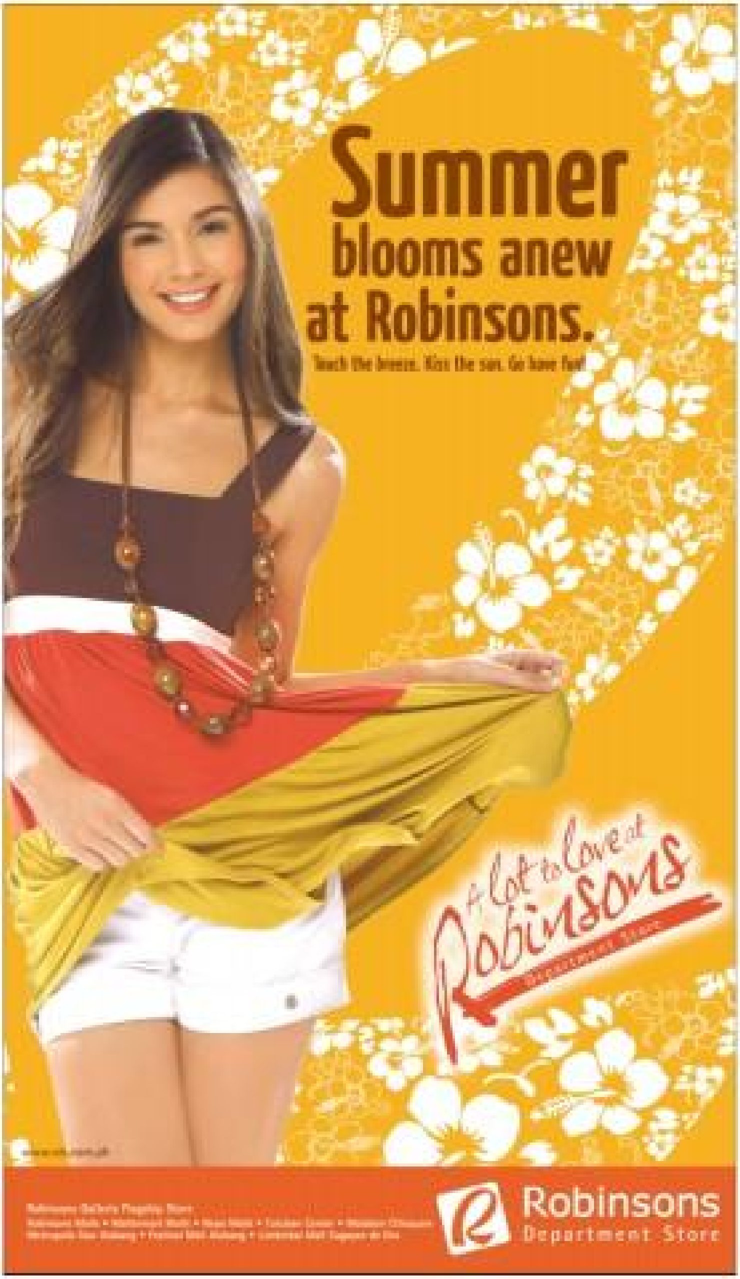








THE UNBEARABLE WAIT Mothers of missing UP students Karen Empeño and Sherlyn Cadapan view the coffin containing the remains of a female who could be either one of the students. The unidentified body was exhumed from the Labrador Public Cemetery in Pangasinan and will be brought to PGH in Manila for DNA testing. (Story on Page A4.)



US, Australian agents to grill 3 terrorists

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and Australia's Counter-Terrorism Unit were observing the investigation of Jordanians Khalil Yunes Al-Alik and Walid Abu Alaem, and Indonesian Bas Hali.

"Based on their own assessment, they can conduct their own tactical interrogation of the three or just read the reports. Their goal is to come up with profiles of the three," one source said.

The sources said that Al-Alik was arrested at Ninoy Aquino International Airport on Feb. 21. Alaem and Hali were nabbed in Davao. The sources said that the three suspects had been linked to an al-Qaida plot to bomb the US and British embassies in the country.

Arrested in Boracay

The United States and Australia are keen supporters of the Philippines' efforts to fight terrorism.

Also yesterday, Philippine National Police Director General Avelino Razon told reporters that the PNP had not received information to indicate a terror attack was imminent.

Razon said operatives were still checking if the three suspected terrorists were linked to Abdulbasit Usman, an alleged Jemaah Islamiyah member, and Mohammad Baki Hiñoyon, said to belong to the Abu Sayyaf group. The two were arrested in Boracay over the weekend.

Border protection

Philippine Air Force (PAF) chief Lt. Gen. Pedrito Cadungog also said yesterday that the United States and Australia had been providing technical aid aimed at bolstering border protection and surveillance in Mindanao.

Cadungog said the initiative dubbed "Coast Watch South" involved the installation of a more effective radar system and enhanced offshore surveillance through more advanced sea and air vessels.

"The concept is still being studied because it's going to be a massive system and the main idea is to improve protection in our porous border in the south with Indonesia and Malaysia," Cadungog told the Inquirer.

He said the program involved maritime patrols by the Philippine Navy and Air Force with the United States and Australia providing expertise and technology to improve surveillance.

Both close defense allies, the United States and Australia have been working with local authorities tasked to guard the Philippine maritime borders in Mindanao, a vulnerable backdoor where suspected terrorists were known to have slipped through.

Smuggled goods ranging from illegal drugs to regular commodities, and even persons trafficked across borders have also breached the southern route.

Surveillance network

"The United States and other partner nations are supporting this initiative and have contributed to the Philippine efforts to build a network of radar stations, surface vessels, aircraft and communication equipment in the southern Philippines to identify and interdict individuals or vessels involved in transnational crime or terrorism," US Embassy spokesperson Rebecca Thompson said.

The Australian Embassy said its role in the southern Philippines border watch was part of Canberra's existing defense pact with Manila.

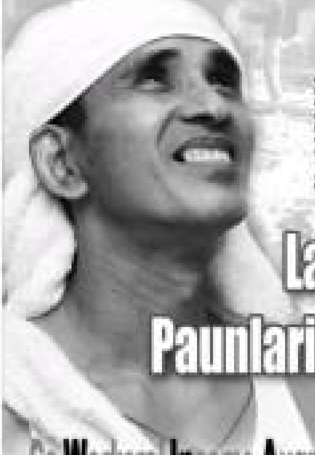
"The Australian Department of Defense and Australian Customs Service have been providing assistance to the Philippine authorities tasked with establishing a Coast Watch South organization which, once set up, will be responsible for monitoring maritime security in the southern Philippines," the embassy said in a statement sent to the Inquirer.

The embassy said Australia's participation "complements the contributions being made by other nations toward enhancing the Philippines' capability to respond to maritime security issues in this region."

Pahayag ng pasasalamat sa Pangulong Arroyo

Mula sa mga manggagawang napagkalooban ng dagdag kabuhayan

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- Production Skills Training
- Financial Assistance

Ang WINAP ay isang programa ng Pangulong Arroyo upang bigyan ang mga manggagawa at kanilang pamilya ng oportunidad na magkaroon ng karagdagang kita sa pamamagitan ng pagnenegosyo at iba pang proyektong pangkabuhayan sa tulong ng Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE).

Para sa karagdagang kaalaman, makipag-ugnayan sa DOLE regional offices. Maaari ring mag-log-on sa www.dole.gov.ph

LABANAN ANG KAHIRAPAN



Kasanayan, Kabuhayan, at Trabaho para sa Manggagawang Pilipino

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

Family of Agencies

Across the NATION

BIR poises tax evasion raps vs car importers



THE GOVERNMENT'S anti-smuggling campaign has delivered

By Joeyce R. Bolandoc
Inquirer Visayas

CEBU CITY—ALARMED BY THE REPORTED BILLIONS OF PESOS in revenue losses due to car smuggling, the Bureau of Internal Revenue is conducting its own investigation as to how the agency can collect the unpaid taxes of imported motor vehicles.



Violence erupts in Pampanga town between 2 'mayors'

Bacolod Church, school leaders welcome Lozada

By Carla P. Gomez
Inquirer Visayas

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UP-TO-DATE
Nuns gather around a newspaper spread to check the latest news about probes on massive corruption in government as they await Mass during a visit of star witness Rodolfo "Jun" Lozada at the De La Salle in Canlubang, Laguna.

Firm to form body on shipyard safety

By Tonette Orejas
Inquirer Central Luzon

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Yap says GMA has Vietnam vow for rice

[illegible]



FOOD is scarce for hundreds of beggars like this woman awaiting alms in a Manila street.

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Execs seek GMA help on soil erosion

By Felipe V. Celino
Inquirer Visayas

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Town readies new strawberry products for festival

By Delmar Cariño
Inquirer Northern Luzon

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NEWSBRIEFS

TAGUM CITY

2 hitchhikers die in accident

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DAGUPAN CITY

2 gunmen kill former councilor

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TAGUM CITY

Militiamen's widows receive AFP aid

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JOLO, SULU

Foundation disperses cattle

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TAGUM CITY

Mayor's police escort shot dead

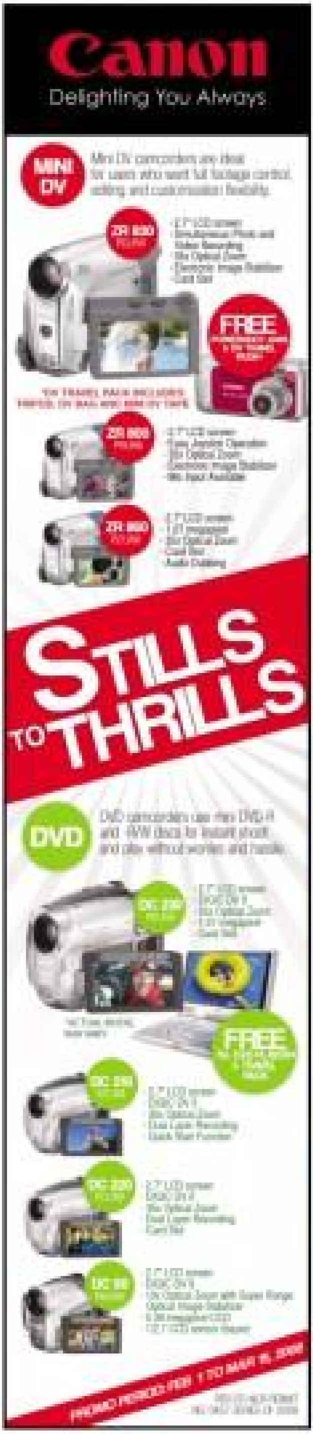
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NEWS

Saudi oil firm selling 40% stake in Petron

SAUDI ARABIA'S LEADING OIL producer Aramco is selling its 40-percent stake in the country's largest oil refiner, Petron Corp., to the London-based Ashmore Investment group for about P22.5 billion.

Smuggled sugar worth P20M seized





Aplus METRO

DID YOU KNOW

Consumers to pay lower water rates starting April 1

'Strong peso allows another rate reduction'

STARTING APRIL 1, RESIDENTS OF METRO Manila and parts of Cavite and Rizal provinces will be paying less for their water consumption due to a stronger peso.



FIGHT VS KILLER MOSQUITOS

Biogas plant set to open in QC garbage facility



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BENAVIDES OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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Guest Speaker: [illegible]

Special Guest: [illegible]

Baccalaureate Mass 2008

March 14, 2008, 5:00 PM, UST Grandstand

Main Celebrant and Homilist: Rev. Fr. Rolando V. de la Rosa, O.P.
Rector, University of Santo Tomas

SLEx toll charges cut by 10%

By [illegible]

THE TOLL REGULATORY BOARD (TRB) has announced a 10-percent cut on toll charged from the Alabang to Calamba segment of the South Luzon Expressway effective immediately.

"This is a welcome development to our motorists since it will also help mitigate the effect of the increases of fuel prices," said Transportation Secretary Leandro Mendoza.

He added that the toll cut was "due to the strengthening of the peso against the dollar."

Mendoza said the government would continue to provide effective and efficient transport services responsive to the needs of the public.

Alleged scam victims may have no proof

By Tina G. Santos

'Policemen' disrupt Pasig mosque service

Binay says ads waste of local government money

MetroBriefs

Tinga off to Brazil for housing meet

2 fires hit informal settlers' sites in QC



BEST POLICE STATION IN MUNTINLUPA

Bush searches for new wartime commander



BUSH

US image abroad hard to fix, says French ally

Arizona city seeks moat to secure Mexico border

Congestion feared as Internet traffic rises

Movies with least profanity earn most



China's CO_2 emissions rising faster than thought

Tibet monks stage biggest protests in China region

Suicide attack in Afghan capital kills 6 civilians, police say



END OF THE ROAD FOR NED KELLY

Israel undercover forces kill 4 in West Bank

The WORLD

EU, US defuse crisis over visa deals

BRDO, SLOVENIA—THE EUROPEAN UNION and the United States agreed on Thursday to defuse a crisis over visa deals by allowing talks between Washington and individual EU states to run in parallel with EU-US negotiations.

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FORMER Democratic vice presidential candidate and former New York Rep. Geraldine Ferraro [illegible]

Race furor forces Ferraro to quit Clinton campaign

AFTER THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN South Carolina turned racially divisive in January, Senators Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., and Barack Obama, D-Ill., essentially declared a truce. But this week, race has once again begun casting a pall over the battle between the two.

On Wednesday a close ally of Clinton's, Geraldine A. Ferraro, the Democratic vice presidential nominee in 1984 who was on the Clinton finance committee, resigned from the campaign after being criticized by Obama's advisers, among others, for her recent comments that "if Obama was a white man, he would not be in this position" as a leading presidential contender.

Ferraro did not disavow that remark. Clinton, while calling it regrettable, did not break with her.

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SPORTS

Editor Teddyvic S. Melendres   Assistant Editor Francis T.J. Ochoa

Roach wants Pacquiao at 130

Pinoy ring superstar on target for weigh-in

By Roy Luarca

LAS VEGAS—NOW, FREDDIE ROACH IS CERtain Manny Pacquiao isn't eating too much.



A "HAPPY" Manny Pacquiao shows off his superb physique after a workout at the gym in Las Vegas on Wednesday.

Even bigger odds this time

Roy Luarca

More Pacquiao stories on A35

Underperforming Dragons tap 6-10 inside force

FIVE IN A ROW

Harbour powers past Toyota Otis



80 juniors make it to Nike Elite hoops camp

SPORTSWATCH

Pharex cagers, officials main Scoop guests

Ateneo Golf Club's maiden 'monthly' tees off

KBP badminton tourney leveling starts today

Top cockers in fold as Pasay 4-cocker gets going

Pacquiao fears me–Marquez

By Roy Luarca



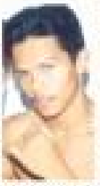


Manny jams with songwriter Camo

By Roy Luarca

Bobby Pac takes on Antillon today

By Roy Luarca



BOBBY PACQUIAO

PCU mum on threat of new 'NC' sanction

By Marc Anthony Reyes

Happy thoughts of Hawaii stir Coakley

Fil-Am tanker hopes to harness wave power



BEIJING—WHEN 50-METER FREESTYLE SWIMMER Daniel Coakley steps on to the starting blocks at the Beijing Olympics in August, his thoughts will be a continent away, on surfing the curl of a huge wave off the Hawaiian coast.

Florida move

Olympic heroes



Reuters

Marcelo competes in World Kart series



STEFANO Marcelo holds off Bobbie Domingo during the Shell Helix Super Karting kickoff at the Carmona Circuit.

Donaire taps Mongolian as chief sparmate for April 18 title defense



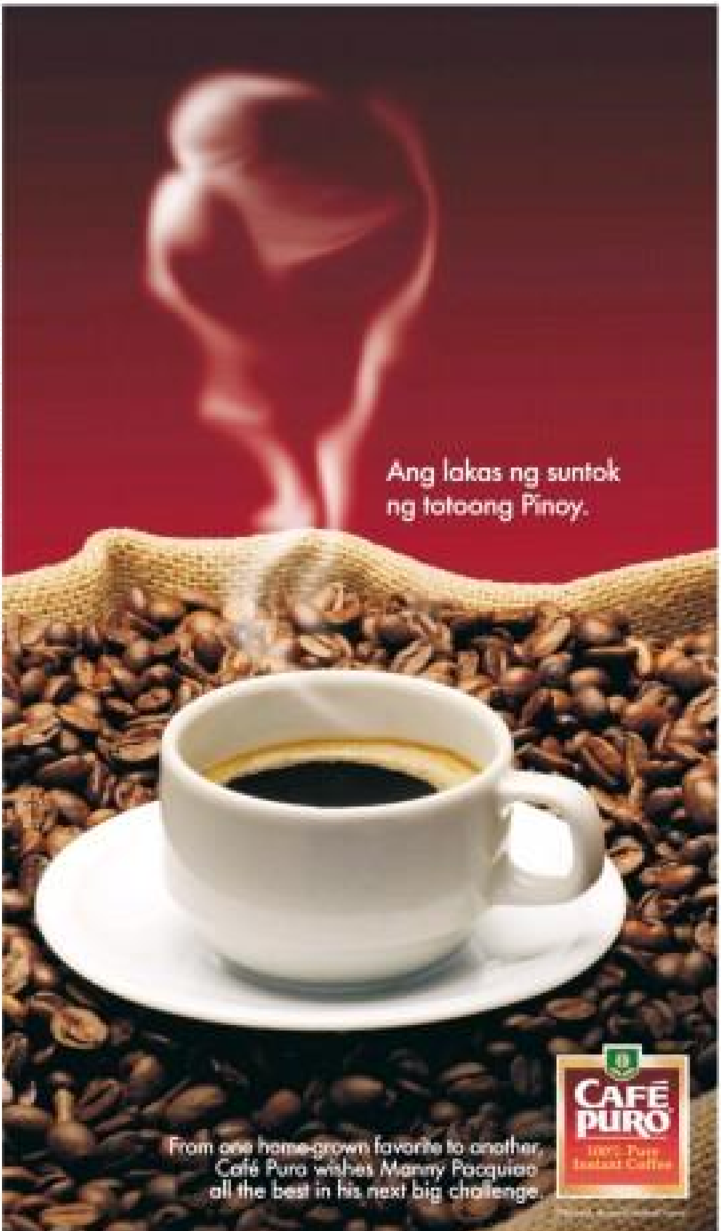
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MENTORS' MEETING

Pagunsan hot again with 70 in Korea





Ikeda moves to 2nd despite closing bogey



Rockets stretch win skein to 20, tie 2nd longest run

ATLANTA—THE HOUSTON ROCKETS' 20th straight win was far from pretty, but coach Rick Adelman was still impressed with his team.

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Defense was key

[illegible]

Best in the West

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Knicks 91, Heat 88

At Miami, [illegible]

Nets 104, Cavaliers 99

At East Rutherford, New Jersey, [illegible]

Magic 118, Clippers 88

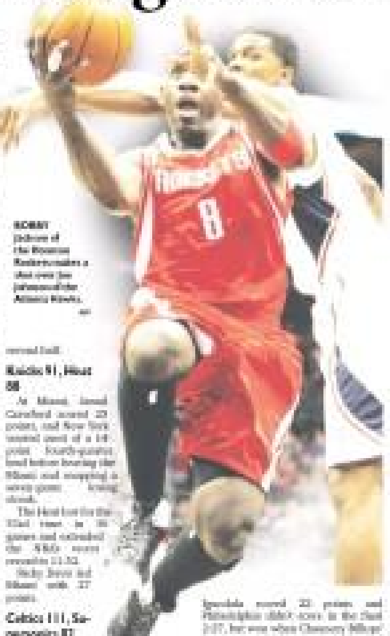
At Orlando, Florida, Dwight Howard [illegible]

Celtics 111, Sa-
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At Boston, [illegible]

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At Auburn Hills, Michigan, [illegible]



[illegible] of the Houston Rockets [illegible] Atlanta Hawks. AFP

New doping probe may link more MLB players

NEW YORK—MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL, [illegible]

[illegible] AFP/Reuters



WORLD'S BEST

Spain's Rafael Nadal (left), the world No. 2, and world No. 1 Roger Federer of Switzerland hold separate practice sessions for the Pacific Life Open tennis tournament which begins in Indian Wells, California today.

Sharapova regains tough form

INDIAN WELLS, CALIFORNIA—Australian Open champion Maria Sharapova [illegible]



MARIA Sharapova serves during practice session.

[illegible] AFP

NBA STANDINGS

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FOOTBALL STANDINGS

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Drunk Daly misses Pods cut; swing coach walks out



Woods eyes 7th in a row

Palmer thinks he can do it



Britons won't use pollution mask

Alonso, Hamilton welcome renewed rivalry

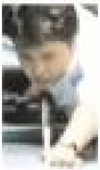


SPORTS



Gabica, Orcollo gain Tour slots

Walkout mars local qualifier


GABICA


ORCOLLO

San Mig-QC 9-Ball elims under way



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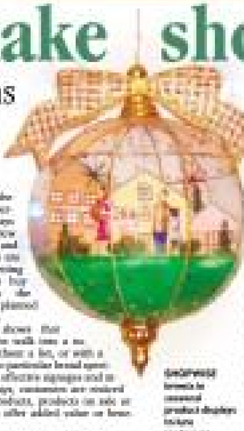
BUSINESS Friday

Business Features Editor Margie Quimpo-Espino

How to make shoppers buy?

Let us count the signs

By Tina Arceo-Dumlao



SHOPWISE brings in seasonal product displays to lure customers

One-time shot turned long-term business



'In this business, you have to be service-oriented. The customer is always the king'



THE PHILIPPINE World Building & Construction Exposition

New tire maker to sell more via info campaign



How to make shoppers buy?







ETON Properties assistant vice president Jannie Cordero

Tan's loft project targets young entrepreneurs

For some in US, guns are just a hobby too

Marketing RX

3 reasons

Winning the brand loyalty lotto

CATS Motors Brings in Limited Chrysler 300C Startech Edition

Luxury and Performance in One Confident Statement

Limited Edition with Unlimited Attention

Performance Revolution



BUSINESS *Friday*

'As a small business owner, why should I bother about brand loyalty?'

MARKETING Rx

Dr. Ned Roberto & Andy Roberto

"Why change?"

BUSINESS *Friday*

Create an epidemic— make your ad contagious



Publicis' Asian CEO talks about ads that make businesses grow

AD BUZZ



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RP coop signs MOA with Spanish group

Burlington sets expansion

Post-card ad provider turns one year

The Manor hosts historic deal signing

CHAMP opens opportunities for int'l jobs

Bank sets up coffee nook in branches



Bags that make 'traveling safe' for exec-on-the-go



LARA TAN of Pacsafe

Culinary school 'cooks' in cyberspace



RP TO HOST WORLD MARKETING CONFERENCE IN JUNE 2008

Heart care at heart-friendly prices



DR. JESUS D. Jorge

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TOWNS wins Anvil award

Sun Cellular and PC Express power IT retailing industry

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CISCO Express Network on Wheels (NoW)



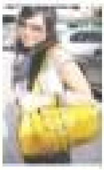
NoW EMPLOYS satellite for internet applications, Internet services, telephone services, streaming video uplink, and voice conferencing.

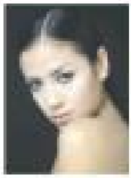
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'Lickability' key to fragrance's success

'It should give off facts that would make you want to share its wearer's scent'



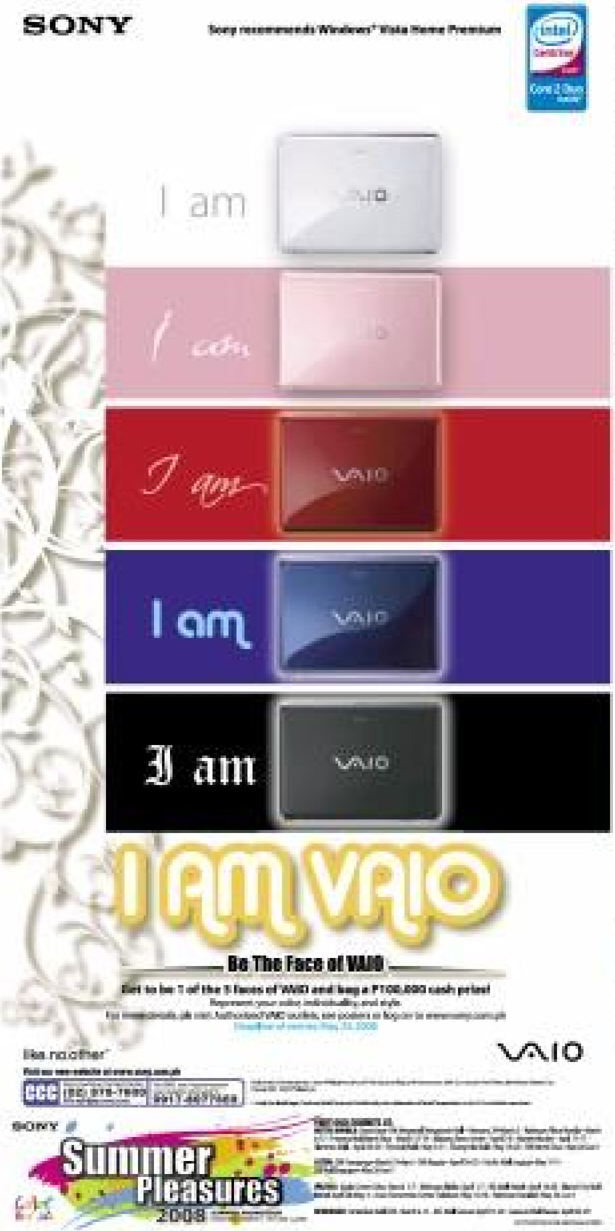


Slim's immense fashion legacy



> Salvacion Lim-Higgins was one of Philippine fashion's giants. Finally a research project seeks to document her achievements





It's the '60s black

BLACK IS THE color of St. John Spring/Summer 2008 Collection.



BLACK ... chiffon dress



COUTURE ... jacket

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See no evil

How you can turn your summer shades into a style statement

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Livin' la vida logo

Wild thing

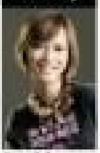


It's all about the temples



Two-toned

Mabuhay!



Jessi J. Epperson

The shades of summer have a new 'it' spot



Photo op



Fantastic plastic

Artisan attack





Get stoned

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Excess baggage

By Jessi Epperson

For some women, bags have replaced men







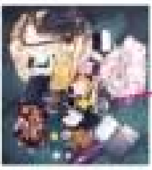


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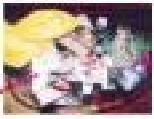






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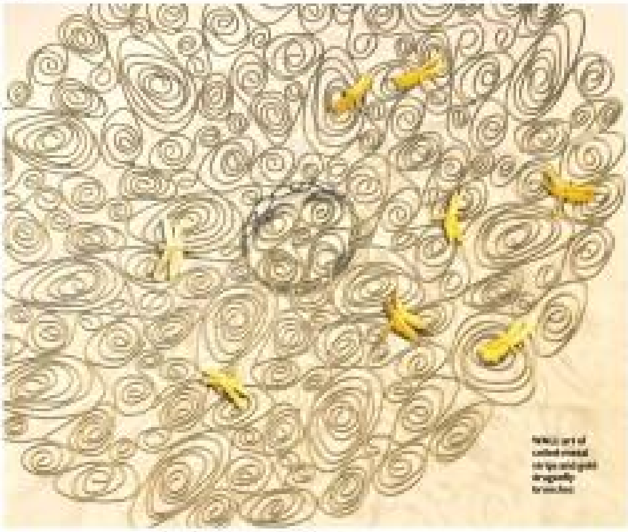


LIFESTYLE



Filipino doctor introduces sheep placenta to fight aging skin

Stem-cell procedure is said to be the first of its kind in the world



WALL art of coiled metal strips and gold dragonfly brooches



World-renowned furniture designer launches jewelry that's a marvel of both design and craftsmanship



ASSORTED rings in gold, silver, nickel and copper

You can wear her dragonfly, but not her snake

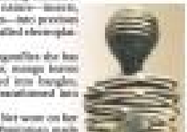


VANDA-FLOWER brooch in gold and orchid-roots necklace in nickel



MILLIONAIRE'S bangles of pinched metal

Homage



MANGO-LEAF bangle in gold



RICE-GRAIN necklace in gold and silver



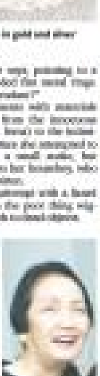
BOUGAINVILLEA necklace, earrings and belt, all in gold



BOUGAINVILLEA necklace in gold

Strongest advantage









Retro treats, polo luxuries and one cool Jude

THE JESSICA LADY SS08 is dreamy, reminiscent of the 1950s, with emphasis on waists and empire lines. Skirts are fuller in volume with balloon shapes, folds and pleated wraps in feminine colors such as pure chic white, flesh, mauve pink and lime.

The 1950s wrap and tulip shapes are updated to a modern, more practical and wearable approach.

Homage to a sport

Brilliantly colored skinny jeans and jodhpurs are matched with color-blocked polo shirts or striped shirting in Ralph Lauren Blue Label, the brand's latest homage to the sport of polo.

Tailored riding jeans paired with flirty dresses and sophisticated chiffon tops. Nautical inspired details, such as anchor stitched patches and brass buttons, add embellishment to wicking trousers and sundresses.

Geometric prints

Anne Klein's Spring 2008 collection demonstrates the use of bold geometric prints on feminine, ladylike silhouettes.

The color palette is bold and refreshing, with bright cherry red, garden green and dark lemon providing eye-catching contrasts against the black, off-metal navy and cafe neutrals.

These breezy nautical and delightful art-inspired pieces are perfect for the arrival of spring.

New global face

Alfred Dunhill, the British luxury menswear and accessories brand, has signed up Jude Law to be its international face, after the actor successfully represented the brand in Asia in the last two years.

Embracing the idea of the new modern British gentleman, Alfred Dunhill has built a distinguished reputation based on style, innovation, quality and wit. Law's masculine style and status as a modern male icon perfectly complements the spirit of the brand.

In the Philippines, Jessica, Ralph Lauren, Anne Klein and Dunhill are exclusively distributed by Stores Specialists Inc.



JUDE LAW is the new international face of Alfred Dunhill

JESSICA wide-neck short sleeves sweater with belt, capri pants, charm necklace, brilliant patent leather bag, included patent with contrast gold piping, and wedge heel shoes



JESSICA short sleeves lined jacket, Crew neck cap sleeve printed tee, Mini skirt, Included patent bag, Included purse with contrast gold piping, and Wedge heel shoes



JESSICA high-waist sleeveless dress, Included patent bag, Charm bracelet, and Leather wedge heel shoes with studs



RALPH Lauren Blue Label Academy Halter Basic Mesh Knit Shirt and White Hudson Thompson Riding Pant; Ralph Lauren Blue Label Basic Polo Basic Mesh Knit Shirt and Sporting Cream Dayton Pant



ANNE KLEIN'S nautical, art-inspired pieces are perfect for the arrival of spring.



RALPH Lauren Blue Label scoop neck with embroidery and boxy skirt



RALPH Lauren Blue Label pinstripe white tweed jacket and fine pearl leg shorts

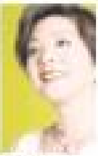
Filipino doctor introduces sheep placenta . . .













LIFESTYLE



BEAUTY

4 looks, one summer

How to go from laidback to glam in less than five minutes

SPRING MAKEUP CAN BE described in three words: Fresh, youthful, and sheer. Nothing too over the top, the colors merely in pastel.

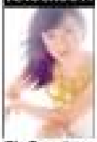
Premier Japanese makeup artist Kazuyuki Ogawa, using Shiseido's Spring Summer collection, shows us how how to get lasting flawless skin and change looks from day to night in less than five minutes.

Base: This base is used in all four looks.

- Shiseido The Make Up (STM) Dual Balancing Foundation
- STM Concealer Stick
- STM Enriched Loose Powder
- STM Luminizing Color Powder

1. After applying foundation, pat down with sponge to remove excess foundation.
2. Apply concealer on the outer eye corner, wings of the nose, and lip corners. Don't forget to pat down with fingers after application.
3. Apply loose powder using a large brush and pat down with sponge puff to remove excess powder.
4. To achieve a perfect finish, Ogawa used Shiseido The Make Up Luminizing color powder in translucent under eyes and T-zone.

KNOCKOUT!



Pia Francisco-Prieto

Playful

A trendy look that focuses on the eyes and conceals the lips.

Eyes: Ogawa combined three colors using two different eyeshadow quads—STM Flora and Fauna and STM Earth & Sky. Yellow was used for eyeshadow, and orange and blue eyeshadow as eyeliner.

Orange was used on the inner corner of the eyes and blue on the outer under eyelines.

Cheeks: STM Blush Playful Pink shade.



Laidback

This look shifts emphasis to the lower eyelids. Ogawa erased the eye makeup in Look 2 and created another look for the eyes.

Eyes: STM Accentuating Cream Liner, used only on the lower lid. This liner is easy to apply because of its uniquely creamy texture.

Lips: To maintain the emphasis on the eyes, Ogawa used STM Lip Gloss in pale shade.

Free makeup and makeover





TELL US WHICH look is perfect for you and why. E-mail us at shiseidopromo@luxasia.com.ph. First five respondents will receive a Shiseido makeover in our Glorietta 4 store. Also, the 2 best answers will receive special prizes such as the Shiseido The Make Up Accentuating Powder Blush in Playful Pink shade and Shiseido The Make Up Silky Eyeshadow Quad Flora and Fauna shade.

Note: Winners will be notified through e-mail and will be given a special code to claim their prizes. Responses received one week after publication of the feature will be the only ones qualified for the promo.

4 looks, one summer



Fresh

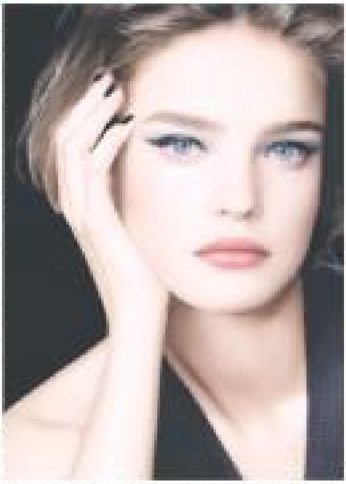


Glam

Smoky eyes and bright colors are key trends

Skin care

Nails



What's hot in Hong Kong

MAKEOVER 911

Kimmy Sabio



Shoppers were snapping up body care products smelling of fruits associated with feng shui good luck

The Body Shop

Whitening products

Fragrances

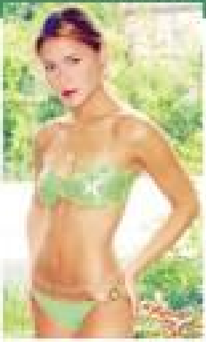


Denim company donates health book to schools

New face of denim ad

You don't choose a swimsuit, it chooses you

Trust the mirror







Dearth



Bags are lighter, softer



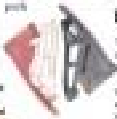


Commitment to chic

Elliptical timepiece



Jewelry for secret lovers







LifeStyle

Japanese retailer rolls out new design collaborations

COLLABORATIONS WITH DESIGNers have proven very effective in generating buzz for fashion retail brands that Uniqlo is doing a second installment of its Designers Invitation Project.

The Japanese casualwear retailer, which previously tapped Alice Roi and Philip Lim, among others, for capsule collections, is featuring for spring the designs of Juliana Jabour, Alexandre Wang, The Hamilton and Lokes Doget, according to WWD.com.

The pocket collections will begin rolling out this month, and will retail in the US for $20 to $79.

Other brands that have benefited from the clout of celebrity designer collaborations are the Swedish brand H&M, which worked with Karl Lagerfeld, Stella McCartney, Viktor & Rolf and, just recently, Roberto Cavalli.



SPEEDO Asia-Pacific regional business development director Olivier Godbille, Otago University Sports Biomechanic David Pease, Speedo Philippines product manager Abigail de la Fuente and Speedo Asia-Pacific vice president Michael O'Donnell



WELL-RESPECTED Oliver and Priyanka Gupta



3-YEAR-OLD Justin Daniel Junio, who successfully crossed the 10-km Hikoboryan Channel, with his mother Bong Junio



SPEEDO Phils. VP for operations Mandel Mahtani



SPEEDO Phils. VP for merchandising Kandiana Mahtani and Red Kimono Resto's Hamomo Dargani



HANDSOME swimmers on the prowl, Paolo Arcenas and Zane Padilla

Swimwear brand marks 80th year with hot new collection



COLUMBIAN board shorts and Emerald reversible one-piece from Speedo's Amazon Range

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Maurice Arcache



Photo by Alex Van Hagen using YBL Photo Solutions

EVEN IF THE SUN AIN'T blazing the way it should (blame it on the drastic climate change as a result of global warming), summer is definitely in the air.

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Sexy Warehouse gig

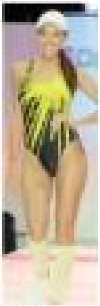
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Bulgari's bold new jewelry

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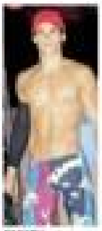
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SUNBURST performance



FUN and flirty Speedo pieces



SPORTY swimwear

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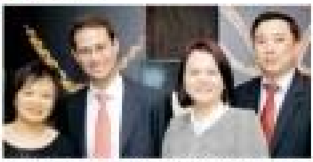
BENOIT Thebaut, Hong Kong DJ [illegible] and Warehouse 135 founder Daniel Primero



WAREHOUSE 135's sexy Brazilian models



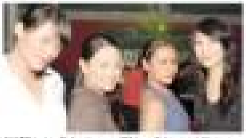
BULGARI'S main man Mario Katigbak



ANGELA Reyes, Charles Lochangco, Pat Chua and Jonathan Coo



JANICE Lim of Coutts Bank, RV Gonzalez, Robert Hora and Chiqui Benavides



FIRST lady of Warehouse 135 Jona Primero, Hillary Barcelona, Mey Legaspi and Lisa Buensalido



KAYE Quesea and Bea Yenko



SHARON Aceil and Mayi Pesano

ROLDAN Castro, JP Barcelona and Louie Bare





RAYMOND Mejica and Lal Gopwani



BELA Madrigal Vasquez and Marcita Martinez



WOMEN of style and stature Nymphia Valencia and Olivia Legaspi



LALA Roxas and Aliana Montalbano



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GOINGS ON

Retro exhibit marks Ferragamo's 80th anniversary

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Appliance design tilt

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Jewelry sale

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Peta summer courses

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Alabang mall events

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"SALVATORE Ferragamo Evolving Legend 1928-2008" will feature the designer's creations.



Boston University alumni reunion

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Promo offers free cell phones

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RP to host world pool championship

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FACIAL-TREATMENT PROMO

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MOTORING SHOW

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LIFESTYLE

Will Fashion Watch bring back the heyday of the '80s?

It's interesting to see if the women will develop the 'high-tea' lifestyle—and buy the clothes

IT'S INTERESTING TO SEE if the daytime fashion shows, which started last month, will develop a growing audience, and market, for Filipino designers. Also, will it make a dent on urban lifestyle—will Ladies Who Lunch turn into Ladies Who High-Tea?







A diario novela by CARLO J. CAPARAS
To have and to hold
Art: ARNEL A. AVETRIA

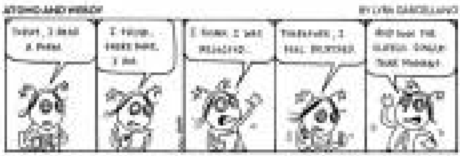


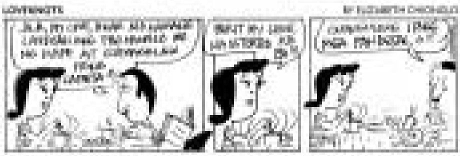








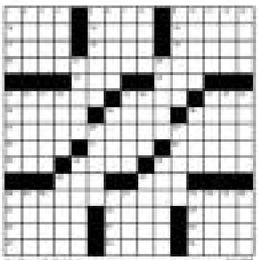


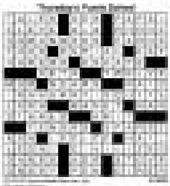






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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU







He offers clothes free of heavy embroidery, beadwork and appliqués

Seamless, fluid draping from Cary Santiago

Text by Alex Y. Vergara
Photos by [illegible]

CEBU-BASED FASHION designer Cary Santiago favored draping to tailoring to produce a 25-piece collection consisting mostly of soft, wearable and voluminous jersey gowns inspired by mythical characters in Homer's "Iliad" and "Odyssey."

The last but definitely not the least talent to show his clothes in the first installment of "Fashion Watch" at the Shangri-La Makati, Santiago also steered clear of bright colors in favor of neutral shades such as beige, chocolate brown and black.

He managed to include a few embellishment points to his collection in the form of silver numbers done in his trademark laser cutouts that resembled paper doilies. The silver and silver-embellished pieces were the weakest links in an otherwise solid lineup.

Again, the Middle East-trained Santiago capitalized on his mastery of draping to create almost seamless, fluid and well-proportioned pieces designed to flatter their wearers' bodies. A number of gowns, however, especially those showing a fair amount of skin via strategic ruching and boxing, could also be quite unforgiving on the wrong wearer.

Although Santiago made it appear that his draped pieces were randomly constructed on the models' bodies, the results were anything but accidental. Actually, the gowns revealed his penchant for precision, attention to details and aversion to decorations.

In Santiago's hands, women can make a dramatic entrance without resorting to such trite embellishments as heavy embroi-

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DESIGNER Cary Santiago takes a bow with his models.





Seamless . . .

What worked

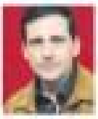
What didn't work

Will Fashion . . .

ENTERTAINMENT

INSIDE





Taking it from an expert



HANS BACHER

Take Five



BACHER

Madonna, Mellencamp to Rock Hall of Fame



MADONNA: "People still encourage me to believe in my dreams."

Like a virgin

Lucky to be alive



JOHN Mellencamp performs after his induction.

Feedback

Boo to boo-ers

Wrong date

Taking it from an expert

want to be compatible with what is being produced elsewhere in the world. You don't want [to] hear, "Oh yeah, that's good enough for the Philippines." You want people to say, "This is an incredible film. Why didn't we hear about these talented animators in the Philippines before?"

We're coming from a comic-book tradition. That's probably the reason there's this obsessive line-work and compulsion to go for the realistic and the detailed.

That's why comic books and animation belong in different fields.

(Barker's lecture was hosted by the Creative Media and Film Society of the Philippines or CreM. E-mail ...@inquirer.com.ph.)

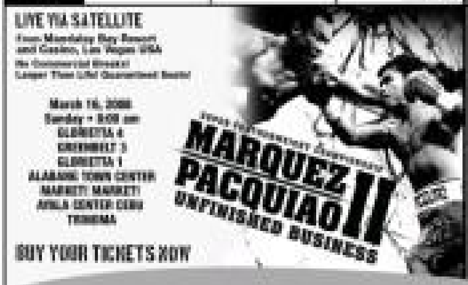














Brian blogspot, the movie

RUSHES SPECIAL

By the Inquirer Entertainment Staff

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Scent of a man

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Heath Ledger's will

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The Presley physique

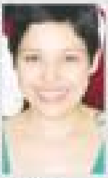
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Dancing with Marlee

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Coup de grace

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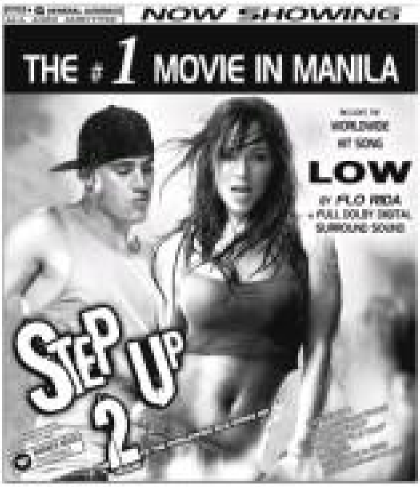


Pia Magalona

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Pia Magalona's side

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Steve Carell's red carpet and men's room stories; other whopping tales

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



Ruben V. Nepales

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"THE RED carpet always seems more glamorous from a distance than when you're there."

Real-life political parable and morality tale

VIEWERS WHO MISS SEEING Tom Hanks and Julia Roberts on the big screen will have a fun time with these two Hollywood heavyweights in the forthcoming "Charlie Wilson's War."

The film is both entertaining and instructive, because it reveals how US Congressman Wilson (Hanks), goaded on by his sometime squeeze, a politically savvy socialite (Roberts), is almost single-handedly able to turn the [illegible] in Afghanistan around.

How does he do it? He finds out that the Russian invaders can't be beat by defending Afghan forces due to lack of effective land-to-air firepower. [illegible] to solving the festering problem, Wilson brilliantly manipulates the US Congress' appropriations process to increase American military aid to Afghanistan from a paltry $5 million—to many hundreds of millions of dollars!

Lethal firepower

With that exponential increase in funding, Afghan defenders are armed with lethal firepower that wreaks bloody havoc on formerly impregnable Russian tanks and attack helicopters, effectively turning the war around.

This stunning denouement routs the Russians and gives US military might in the region a much-needed turnaround. [illegible] After accomplishing that feat, [illegible] Wilson fades back into the background, content in the thought that he did the right thing at precisely the best time.

Hanks often plays true-blue characters, so the savvy and slightly shady Wilson is a stretch for him. He's an experienced political wheeler-dealer and curmudgeon, a womanizer, heavy drinker and occasional drug user.

However, he basically has a good heart, so when he is presented with the opportunity to help many victims of the war, he rises up to the noble if difficult task at hand.

Hanks has a fun, raucous time playing the endlessly idiosyncratic Wilson, and gives the role everything he's got—with a little dash thrown in for good measure. That's why when his noble side manifests itself later in the story, the redemption twist is all the more rewarding.

Out of the box

Roberts also steps out of her cute-cute box to limn an interestingly textured portrait of the wealthy and powerful socialite who, when she sees the unwashed young victims of the war, decides to pull political strings to give the [illegible] a helping hand.

The actress is able to deftly balance the socialite's pragmatism and even cynicism with a sudden burst of altruism that surprises even herself. Roberts' role is nowhere as big as Hanks', but she comes in such an indelibly idiosyncratic portrayal that you remember her [illegible].

More than just being a fine showcase for its stars' vivid performances, however, "Charlie Wilson's War" is a great example of how some film people can tackle significant themes and situations while wearing their convictions lightheartedly on their sleeves.

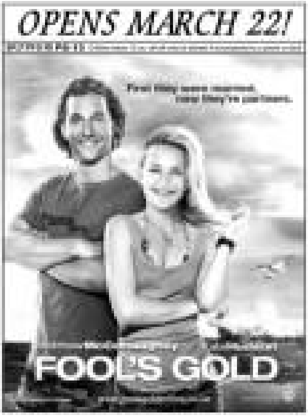
This requires a delicate balance of sense and show biz sensibility, plus the flair for preventing one element from upstaging the other.

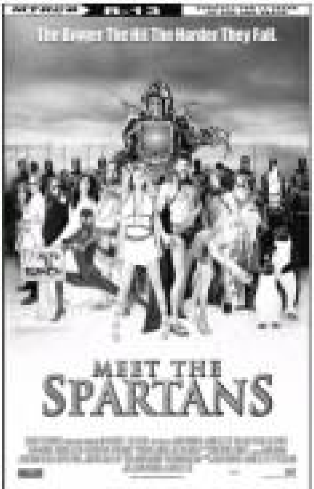
When push comes to shove, however, issues and [illegible] must always win out, and that's what happens at film's end. We see how power can be manipulated not just to keep its fat-cat political brokers laughing all the way to the bank, but also to heal, save lives, and make peace, not war.

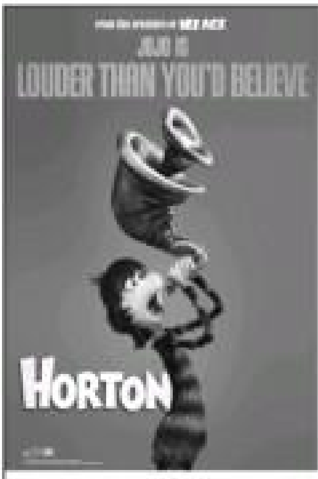
Once upon a real-life political parable and morality tale, Charlie Wilson was able to pull it all. When comes such another?

VIEWFINDER
Nestor U. Torre













JERICHO Rosales

Echo film a big deal for US firm

For Heath's sake: 3 hunks in 1 movie

LIVING Stars



Books

CARLA HUMPHRIES

MELISSA HELLSTERN'S "HOW TO BE LOVELY: THE Audrey Hepburn Way of Life" is a favorite of mine. It's all about inspirational things shared by my idol, Audrey Hepburn. The book is about how to be lovely inside and out.

Marinel R. Cruz

INSIDE

A veritable summer house
Homebody A4



Quiet moments before the 'wedding'
Sneak Peek A3







Fairy-tale wedding of the year







BECAUSE IT'S NOT real—





Though they know this is just a TV soap's finale, some guests actually cried

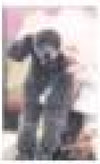






Wedding singers





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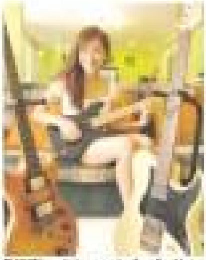


NIÑA JOSE



FRAMED photos and other mementos crowd the table top.



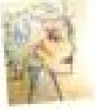






HOME BODY

Go girl, at rest



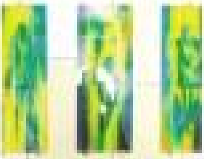
BROTHER Junior made this portrait.

Always on the road, singer Rachelle Ann Go finds home a sweet haven

IT'S A VERITABLE SUMMER HOUSE.

Time to think







MODERN light fixture adorns living room.



